

Dirty Water Blues

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Please protect my watershed/that's what the people said/please protect my watershed

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What's that/a watershed/is that what you said?

All the land that is near a river/surrounding the river/every single sliver of land/it's a rain
water snow melt giver/they flow into the river/deliver the water from the land

That's right/that's a watershed/that's what the river said

I don't throw litter on you/so don't throw litter on me/If I'm polluted that's
the same way you will be/don't you know that you are drinking from
me?/And water makes up seventy percent of your body/what you do to me
affects you and everybody/don't be naughty or I'll use my river Karate

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Now let's hear from a river we all depend on/it runs through southeast
Michigan its called the Huron/it crosses seven counties over a hundred miles
long/let's listen to the Huron River song/I love to keep flowing to trickle and
swish/I'm home to many animals like beaver and fish/muskrats turtles frogs
mink and water pennies/it takes a while to name them all there's just so
many/herons bald eagles really small jelly fish/all the animals and I have just
one wish/that the half a million people living in our watershed/would stop

polluting and be good stewards instead/for the macroinvertebrates and the lady slippers/please take care of yourself and our river!

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The bird said "kaw kaw"/down by the paw paw/when it saw saw/people break the law law/"Go green," it said, "please don't litter"/help protect all the critters in our river/you could be a Huron River superhero/and take pollution down to zero

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